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SUBJECT: US-USSR TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT: RAILWAY
TRANSPORTATION - PROGRAM FOR USDEL VISIT (05.03)

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR MAY 29 -JUNE
10 US RAILWAY TRANSPORTATION DELEGATION VISIT FROM
MINRAIL ON APRIL 18. PROGRAM BEING POUCHED UNDER
REGISTRY 1911719. INFORMAL SCIENCE OFFICE TRANSLATION
FOLLOWS.

2. MAY 28 - ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW;
MAY 29 - 0930-1230: DISCUSSIONS AT MINRAIL ON VISIT
PROGRAM AND THE FOLLOWING TOPICS: SOVIET LOCOMOTIVES,
CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM DIRECTIONS, LOCOMOTIVE RELIABILITY
AND ECONOMY, THE ORGANIZATION OF THE REPAIR SYSTEM AND
THE MAINTAINANCE OF DIESEL AND ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES.
1500-1700: VISIT TO TSNIITYEU,
FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE BASIC DIRECTIONS OF THE DEVELOP-
MENT OF RR TRANSPORT IN THE USSR, WITH CONTEMPORARY
REPAIR AND MAINTAINANCE PROCEDURES FOR DIESEL AND ELECTRIC
LOCOMOTIVES, AND REVIEW OF TECHNICAL FILMS CONCERNING THE
TECHNOLOGY OF THE SOVIET RRS;
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MAY 30 - VISIT TO THE EXPERIMENTAL TEST RING AT SHCHER-
BINKA. FAMILIARIZATION WITH QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE CON-
STRUCTION OF DIESEL AND ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES, INCLUDING:
IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CONSTRUCTION, RELIABILITY AND
ECONOMY OF DIESEL LOCOMOTIVES; IMPROVEMENTS IN THE
CONSTRUCTION AND RELIABILITY OF DIESEL-ELECTRIC TRACTION
MOTORS; IMPROVEMENT OF CURRENT OUTPUT SYSTEMS, AND

SYSTEMS AND METHODS OF CONDUCTING TESTING OF DIESEL AND ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES.

VISITS ALSO TO THE DIESEL, ROLLER-BEARING AND TRACTION MOTOR LABS, AND THE STAND FOR BOGIE FRAME VIBRATION TESTS AND TRACTION ARATURE AND CURRENT OUTPUT LABS,
2350 - DEPARTURE BY TRAIN 138 FOR GEORGIUDEZH.

MAY 31 - 1345 - ARRIVAL IN GEORGIU-DEZH;

1400-1730 - VISIT TO THE GEORGIU-DEZH ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT AND DISCUSSIONS ON ITS ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS, MAINTAINANCE AND REPAIR OF ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES AND FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE REPAIR TECHNOLOGY AND SERVICING OF ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES.

JUNE 1 - 0106 - DEPARTURE BY TRAIN 175 FOR ROSTOV-ON-THE DON;

1311 - ARRIVAL IN ROSTOV-ON-THE DON;

1500-1700. VISIT TO THE ROSTOV PASSENGER WAGON DEPOT FOR FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE ORGANIZATION AND TECHNOLOGY OF WAGON REPAIR.

JUNE 2 - 1000-1600 - VISIT TO THE NOVOCHERKASSKIY ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION FACTORY. DISCUSSIONS WITH MANAGERS AND LEADING SPECIALISTS OF THE FACTORY. FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE PRODUCTION OF ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES.

JUNE 3 - FREE DAY. SIGHT-SEEING IN ROSTOV-ON-THE-DON;

2117 - DEPARTURE ON TRAIN 192 FOR KHAR'KOV.

JUNE 4 - 0640 - ARRIVAL IN KHAR'KOV. FREE DAY - SIGHT-UNCLASSIFIED

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SEEING IN KHAR'KOV.

JUNE 5 - 0930-1230 - VISIT TO THE OSNOVA DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT FOR FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE ORGANIZATION, OPERATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY OF DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE REPAIRS;
1500-1700 - VISIT TO THE OKTYABR' ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT FOR FAMILIARIZATION WITH ITS ORGANIZATION, OPERATIONS AND REPAIR AND MAINTAINANCE SYSTEMS FOR ELECTRI LOCOMOTIVES.

JUNE 6 - 1019 - DEPARTURE BY TRAIN 177 FOR POLTAVA;

1215 - ARRIVAL IN POLTAVA;

1400 - 1700 - VISIT TO POLTAVA DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY. DISCUSSIONS WITH SPECIALISTS ON THE QUESTION OF THE ORGANIZATION OF MAJOR REPAIRS TO DIESEL LOCOMOTIVES. FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE TECHNOLOGY OF MAJOR DIESEL LOCOTIVE REPAIR;

1700 - 1900 - SIGHTSEEING IN POLTAVA;

2321 - DEPARTURE BY TRAIN 612 FOR KIEV.

JUNE 7 - 0641 - ARRIVAL IN KIEV;

1000 - VISIT TO PASSENGER LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT IN KIEV, FAMILIARIZATION WITH THE REPAIR AND MAINTAINANCE OF ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES;

1400 - 1530 - VISIT TO THE TRAINING SCHOOL IN DARNITSA;

2325 - DEPARTURE BY TRAIN 6 FOR BRYANSK.
JUNE 8 - 0512 - ARRIVAL IN BRYANSK;
0800 - MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BRYANSK
MACHINE-BUILDING PLANT;
0930-1500 - VISIT TO THE BRYANSK MACHINE-BUILDING PLANT.
DISCUSSIONS WITH SPECIALISTS ON THE ORGANIZATION OF DIESEL
LOCOMOTIVE PRODUCTION, THE IMPROVEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION
AND RELIABILITY OF LOCOMOTIVE DIESELS. FAMILIARIZATION

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WITH DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE CONSTRUCTION;
1600-2000 - SIGHTSEEING IN BRYANSK;
2356 - DEPARTURE BY TRAIN 602 FOR MOSCOW.
JUNE 9 - 0705 - ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW;
1000 - CONCLUDING DISCUSSIONS AT MINRAIL.
JUNE 10 - DELEGATION DEPARTURE FOR THE US.

3. COMMENT: DURING APRIL 11 DISCUSSION WITH MALASHKO,
SCIOUS NOTED THAT LATEST SOVIET DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE OF 12
THOUSAND HORSEPOWER HAD BEEN DISPLAYED PROMINENTLY AT
1977 "TRANSPORT 77" EXHIBIT IN MOSCOW AND THAT IT
WOULD BE USEFUL FOR USDEL TO BE ABLE TO INSPECT IT.
MALASHKO RESPONDED THAT MINRAIL COULD NOT PROMISE
DESIRED ACCESS SINCE THIS MODEL WAS STILL IN TESING
STAGES. MALASHKO STATED MODEL WAS ACTUALLY A PAIR OF
6000 HP LOCOMOTIVES JOINED FOR HEAVY FREIGHT USE. HE
INDICATED, HOWEVER, THAT USDEL WOULD SEE NOVOCHERKASSK
AND BRYANSK PLANTS INVOLVED IN PRODUCTION OF
PROTOTYPES. WE NOTE THAT SOVIET SCHEDULE LISTS PLANTS
IN NOVOCHERKASSK AND BRYANSK BUT THERE IS NO SPECIFIC

MENTION OF ACCESS TO THIS LATEST EXAMPLE OF SOVIET
DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY. WITH THE AIM OF
ENSURING BALANCE OF BENEFITS IN THIS AREA, EMBASSY
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RECOMMENDS US REQUEST SPECIFIC ACCESS TO NEW 12 THOUSAND
HORSEPOWER DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE IN DOT'S RESPONSE TO
PROGRAM PROPOSED FOR USDEL VISIT. PLEASE ADVISE. TOON

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